

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 285

January 30, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the offense of critical infrastructure vandalism to include farms.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 43-26-102(1), farm means the land, buildings, and machinery used in the commercial production of farm products and nursery stock.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-14-411(d), critical infrastructure vandalism is punished as theft under Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-14-105 but not less than a Class E felony offense.
- This analysis assumes that individuals convicted of critical infrastructure vandalism to a farm under the proposed legislation would be convicted of a felony vandalism offense under current law.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-14-408(c)(1)(A), the offense of vandalism in instances where a person knowingly causes damage to or the destruction of any real or personal property of another or of the state, the United States, any county, city, or town knowing that the person does not have the owner's effective consent is punished as theft under Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-14-105, after determining value under Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-11-106(a)(38).
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government resulting from the proposed legislation is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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